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PER/MGT:RTCURRAN (DRAFT)
A/OS:GEPARSONS(DRAFT)

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R 132030Z MAR 74
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY KABUL

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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ASCH, AF
SUBJECT: AISK BUDGET

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM NEA/PAB CONSTABLE

1. I HAVE DISCUSSED AISK BUDGET
SUBMISSION WITH DR. GORDON PARSONS, A/OS. OVERALL BUDGET
POSITION A/OS EXTREMELY TIGHT DUE IN LARGE PART TO
REDUCTION IN AID CONTRIBUTION FOR OVERSEAS
SCHOOLS SUPPORT. MOST SCHOOL PROGRAMS WILL THEREFORE BE
CUT IN FY 75. IN CASE OF AISK, A/OS HAS ALLOCATED DOLS
63,000. THIS FIGURE INCLUDES DOLS 10,000 YOU REQUESTED
FOR COMMUNITY RELATIONS PROGRAM. ABOVE FIGURE OBVIOUSLY
PRECLUDES ANY CONSTRUCTION FUNDS FOR LIBRARY AND GYMNASIUM,
AND REPRESENTS CONSIDERABLE SHORTFALL FROM AISK'S ESTI-
MATED NEEDS FOR OPERATIONAL SUPPORT.

2. IN VIEW OF DIFFICULTIES THIS FIGURE MAY IMPLY FOR AISK,
DR. PARSONS WILL VISIT KABUL FOR THREE DAYS ARRIVING THERE
APRIL 26 FOR DETAILED DISCUSSIONS WITH SCHOOL BOARD AND
ADMINISTRATOR. IN PREPARATION FOR MEETING, AISK SHOULD
UNDERTAKE RIGOROUS EXAMINATION OF ITS BUDGET PROPOSALS
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WITH OBJECTIVE OF REDUCING ESTIMATES TO LOWEST POSSIBLE

FIGURE CONSISTENT WITH MAINTENANCE OF SATISFACTORY OPERATIONS. DR. PARSONS WILL BE PREPARED TO OFFER SUGGESTIONS AS APPROPRIATE FOR WAYS IN WHICH AISK MIGHT COPE WITH

DIFFICULTIES ANTICIPATED FOR FY 75.

3. LETTER FOLLOWS WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND SUGGESTIONS. KISSINGER

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